

**IN THE CLAIMS**

This listing of claims replaces all prior listings:

1. (Currently Amended) A positive active material comprising:  
base particles comprising lithium-nickel-manganese oxide; and  
a mixture consisting essentially of an inorganic compound and a carbonaceous material on substantially the entire surface of the base particles;  
wherein,  
a weight ratio of the lithium-nickel-manganese oxide to the mixture is between 98:2 to 70:30 and is represented by the formula  $A:(B+C)$ ,  
A is the weight of the lithium-nickel-manganese oxide,  
B is the weight of the inorganic compound,  
C is the weight of the carbonaceous material, and  
the inorganic compound ~~comprises~~ is a compound oxide of at least one selected from the group of  $\text{LiFePO}_4$  and  $\text{Li}_3\text{PO}_4$ .
2. (Cancelled)
3. (Original) The positive active material according to Claim 1, wherein the weight ratio of the inorganic compound to the carbonaceous material ranges between 99:1 and 60:40.
4. (Cancelled)
5. (Currently Amended) A nonaqueous electrolyte secondary battery comprising:  
a negative active material;  
a positive active material comprising base particles that include lithium-nickel-manganese oxide;  
a nonaqueous electrolyte between the negative and positive active materials; and

a mixture consisting essentially of an inorganic compound and a carbonaceous material on substantially the entire surface of the base particles; and  
wherein,

a weight ratio of the compound oxide to the mixture is between 98:2 to 70:30 and is represented by the formula  $A:(B+C)$ ,

A is the weight of the lithium-nickel-manganese oxide,

B is the weight of the inorganic compound,

C is the weight of the carbonaceous material,

and

the inorganic compound ~~comprises~~ is a compound oxide of at least one selected from the group of  $\text{LiFePO}_4$  and  $\text{Li}_3\text{PO}_4$ .

6. (Previously Presented) The positive active material according to Claim 5, wherein the weight ratio of the inorganic compound to the carbonaceous material ranges between 99:1 and 60:40.

7. (Cancelled)